

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, In 1995, Marlene Todd created and implemented the first Teen Court in the state of South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Through Marlene's dedication and diligent efforts, 15 Teen Courts are now functioning in South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Since its inception, the Lawrence/Meade County Teen Court has processed 1,250 juveniles, of which 1,100, or 93 percent, completed the program and contributed over 46,000 hours of community service; and,

Whereas, In 2005, Marlene received the Youth Service Award from the Behavior Management Systems Pathways Division for her commitment to the emotional needs of young people in Western South Dakota; and,

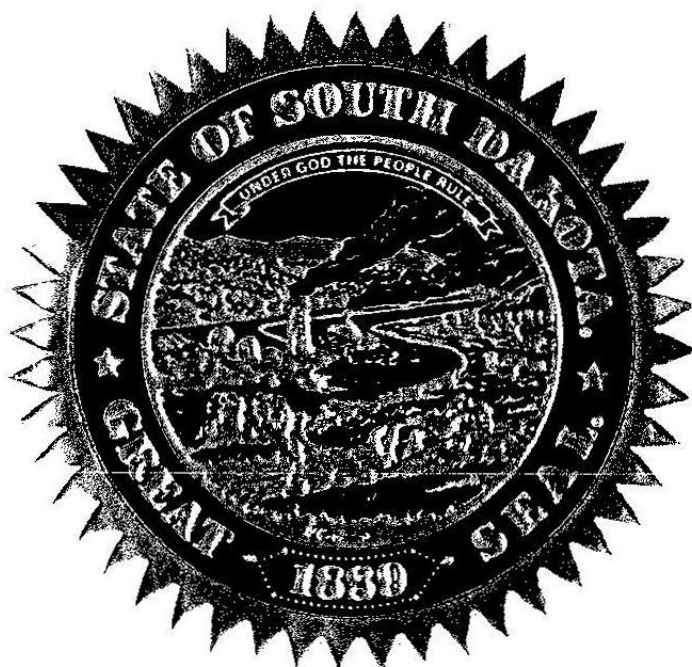
Whereas, In 2005, Marlene also received the Outstanding Service to Children Award from the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) program; and,

Whereas, Many individuals in South Dakota have benefited from her tireless efforts to improve the lives of our youth through leadership and compassion:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 4, 2008, as


MARLENE TODD DAY

in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State